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Cosby is coming to SWOSU

As part of Comedy Central's *Far From Finished Tour*, comedian Bill Cosby will appear at Southwestern Oklahoma State University on Thursday, April 3.

Cosby will be the first major act in the new Pioneer Cellular Event Center on the Weatherford campus, and the show is part of the university's Panorama series.

Tickets range from \$25 to \$60 and can be purchased online through the SWOSU website at www.swosu.edu or at stubwire.com.

One of America's most beloved comedians of all time, Cosby has captivated generations of fans with his comedy routines, iconic albums and best selling books such as *Fatherhood*. His comedy transcends age, gender and cultural barriers.

Cosby broke television's racial barrier with *I Spy*, becoming the first African American to costar on a television series while winning three consecutive Emmys. He created and produced the Emmy-winning cartoon *Fat Albert* and the *Cosby Kids*, which began airing in the 1970s and was made into a film in 2004. The show, based on Cosby's childhood in Philadelphia, was designed to educate and entertain.

The former Navy serviceman's illustrious list of accomplishments includes roles on the children's educational show *Electric Company* and creating and producing the Emmy award winning *Little Bill*, which is based on his best-selling book series.

Perhaps Cosby's greatest contribution to American entertainment and culture is *The Cosby Show*, about a close-knit, upper class black family. Cosby said his intent was to portray an American family. *Time* magazine called the show "an encouraging sign of maturity in matters of race." *The Cosby Show* dominated the number one spot for years, earning nearly unanimous critical praise.

Cosby's current best seller is *I Didn't Ask to Be Born, But I'm Glad I Was*. Cosby talks about the Bible, being a grandfather and his first love in his humorous and insight-

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Event center opens with a celebration

More than 2,500 people celebrated the Community Appreciation Event at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center on Saturday, Jan. 25.

The Southwestern women won easily against Northwestern Oklahoma State. However, the night ended on a sour note when the Rangers hit a last-second shoot to beat the Bulldogs by one point.

Other activities included Duke's Birthday Bash featuring visiting mascots from the Oklahoma City area, several give-aways, and entertainment from a twirler and trampoline crew. Retired meteorologist Gary England was honored during the men's game. England attended SWOSU as an undergraduate student.

The 93,000 square foot center will be a site for conferences, trade shows, concerts/entertainment, athletic events, tournaments and more. The project was initiated by the City of Weatherford's "Vision 2020" strategic planning process and made possible by the "Yes! Weatherford" sales tax campaign, SWOSU students and the university. (Photos by Khanh Nguyen)



Basketball



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Legendary trumpeter to play at Jazz Fest

Legendary trumpeter Allen Vizzutti will headline the 44th annual SWOSU Jazz Festival, presented by the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Department of Music on the SWOSU campus in Weatherford, on Thursday and Friday, February 6 and 7, 2014, on the Weatherford campus.

Yamaha artist Allen Vizzutti has visited over 60 countries

and every state in the union to perform with a rainbow of artists and ensembles as both a classical and jazz artist. He has appeared as guest soloist with symphony orchestras, in recital, on television and in jazz venues around the world. The main concerts are planned for Friday, February 7, at 1 and 8 p.m. featuring Vizzutti who will be accompanied by Portland based

pianist Darrell Grant, Yamaha drum artist Steve Hatfield, and University of North Texas bass professor Lynn Seaton. The concerts in the Fine Arts Center will also feature the SWOSU Jazz "A" ensemble. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for seniors and \$3 for students. The professional group of musicians will also be

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Trumpeter Allen Vizzutti

SGA will hold forums over new DUI law and Weatherford

By CAROLINE LEAHY
Staff Reporter

The Student Government Association will host two open discussion forums in February. The first forum at 6 p.m. on Feb. 6 in Stafford 104, will feature a discussion over Oklahoma's new DUI law.

The forum will cover the legal Blood Alcohol Content when driving for all ages and consequences for certain drinking and driving

incidences.

Oklahoma's new DUI law was implemented on October 1, 2013 and has been raising some conflict among Oklahoma drivers. The new law states, "a driver with any amount of a Schedule I chemical or controlled substance ... or one of its metabolites or analogs in the person's blood, saliva, urine or any other bodily fluid" is considered under the influence.

SGA invites all students to hear from a panel of four speakers, including, District At-

torney Dennis Smith, Weatherford Chief of Police Louis Flowers, SWOSU Chief of Public Safety Rick Bolar, and a local attorneys. Students will be allowed to ask questions.

The second forum will be held at 6 p.m. on Feb. 27 in Stafford 104 with Weatherford Mayor Mike Brown. The open forum will cover Weatherford events and Brown will take questions.

SGA Committee meetings are at 6 p.m. Thursdays in Stafford 104, all students are invited to participate.

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NEWS

SWOSU will host FTC regional robotics championship



The Engineering Technology and Computer Science Departments of Southwestern Oklahoma State University will host the 2013-2014 FTC Robotics Oklahoma Regional Championship on Friday and Saturday, February 7-8, in Weatherford.

Thirty-six high-school-aged teams from across the state have been invited to attend the state championship after competing in four qualifier events across the state over the past three months.

Founded by inventor Dean Kamen, *FIRST* (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and technology) was created to inspire young people's interest and participation in science and technology. The *FIRST* Tech Challenge (FTC) is an intermediate robotics competition that provides high-school-aged students with a challenging, technology-rich, exciting program that inspires them to get into science, technology and engineering.

Teams of up to 10 students will work

alongside mentors, applying real-world math and science concepts to solve the annual challenge. They compete and co-operate in team alliances at high-energy regional tournaments that reward the effectiveness of each robot, the power of collaboration, and the determination of students. Through their *FIRST* involvement, students discover the rewarding and engaging process of innovation and engineering.

The FTC Robotics Oklahoma Regional Championship will send seven teams to the South Super-Regional event to be held February 26-28, 2014 in San Antonio. Seventy-two teams from Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Kentucky, South Carolina, North Carolina, Alabama, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma will compete in the Super-Regional for an invitation to the World Championship in St. Louis in April.

For more information, contact Mallory Hankins at 580.774.3162 or at mallory.hankins@swosu.edu.

Graduation preparation

By **ERRIKKA BRANSCUM**
News Editor

At the end of the spring semester students will be preparing to graduate and leave Southwestern Oklahoma State University. Preparing for graduation can be exciting and nerve-wrecking at the same time, especially if the procedures to graduate are unclear.

The following information is provided by the SWOSU website to help potential graduates prepare to receive a diploma.

All students, except in rare circumstances, are required to participate in the graduation ceremony which is held annually at the close of the spring semester. Since SWOSU holds only one commencement ceremony per year, any student planning to graduate in the spring or fall

of 2014, will walk in May.

Any student planning to graduate must file an application for graduation. Students finishing in either the fall or spring semester should complete the application for graduation at the beginning of the spring semester, and no later than February 1, 2014.

Students completing degrees during the summer term should make applications for graduation by mid-term of the spring semester.

Degrees are recorded on the student's permanent academic record. Transcripts are available approximately one week after the close of each semester or term.

The application can be completed online for all degrees, and can be found at the following link: www.swosu.edu/registrar/graduation.

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on hand to give master classes that day. A free concert involving the guest artists will be held Thursday, February 6, at 7 p.m. in the Music Building's Berrong Recital Hall. Seating is limited for the event will be given on a first come basis. Also, the Weatherford Arts Council has collaborated with the Department of Music for a special "Jazz with Pizzazz!" dinner prior to the Friday 8 p.m. show. The \$30 ticket includes a meal, concert ticket and reserved seating for the performance. To attend, contact Dr. James South at james.south@swosu.edu

[swosu.edu](http://www.swosu.edu) or 580.774.3771. The deadline for dinner reservations is February 4. The SWOSU Annual Jazz Festival, directed by Dr. Richard Tirk, is supported by grants from the Oklahoma Arts Council, the City of Weatherford and the Yamaha Corporation. For more information about any of these events or to reserve tickets, contact the SWOSU Music Department at 580.774.3708 or visit www.swosujazz.com. Tirk can be reached at richard.tirk@swosu.edu or 580.774.3175.

Crosswalk safety reminders

By **ERRIKKA BRANSCUM**
News Editor

There is a saying that goes, "Everything I need to know, I learned in kindergarten." Among everything learned in kindergarten, what was most important was likely crosswalk safety.

The recent accident on SWOSU's campus provides an opportunity for students and faculty to take a minute and review proper safety procedures in crosswalks. The following list is provided by uncw.edu (University of North Carolina Wilmington).

Pedestrians:

Always cross at a marked crosswalk. If someone is not on a marked crosswalk, the rights that person has as a pedestrian are forfeited. Always obey any pedestrian signals, and follow the "left-right-left-again" rule. Taking time to look both directions before crossing the street will ensure that it is clear. If a vehicle approaches, make eye contact with the driver to be sure you are seen before crossing. Remember to look before walking past a stopped vehicle. Do not cross because a driver waves you on instead make sure all lanes are clear.

Bicyclists:

Always yield to pedestrians. Bicyclists are not con-

sidered pedestrians unless they are walking their bikes. Try to use marked bike paths or multi-use paths when available. Bicyclists are to obey vehicular traffic signals and laws on the roadways.

Drivers:

Always yield to pedestrians in crosswalks and intersections. Remember that bicyclists are not considered to be pedestrians, unless walking their bikes. Be prepared to stop at all marked crosswalks. Stay alert and reduce speed in areas with crosswalks. Always come to a complete stop if pedestrians are crossing or preparing to cross. Drivers are to remain stopped until the pedestrian has crossed at least one lane past the lane the driver is in before the driver may resume travel. Drivers should never pass another vehicle that has stopped or is slowing down at a crosswalk.



Cosby from page 1

ful manner.

Cosby has received the Kennedy Center Honors, the Presidential Medal of Freedom (America's highest civilian honor), the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor and the Marian Anderson Award.

Cosby's been busy raising a family, too. He married the former Camille Hanks on January 25, 1964, while she was still a student at the University of Maryland. They raised four daughters (Erika, Erinn, Ensa and Evin) and one son (Ennis) and now have three grandchildren. The family resides in New England.

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The editorial board meets every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. in the journalism lab, Campbell 211.

THE SOUTHWESTERN encourages comments from the student body, faculty, and administration in the form of letters to the editor. All letters must include a name for consideration; however, the name may be withheld upon request.

The opinions expressed within signed editorials are the opinions of the writers; the opinions expressed in unsigned, boxed editorials are the opinion of the staff. Neither is necessarily the opinion of the university administration, staff or faculty.

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Students needed for marketing

Southwestern students are being sought to help SWOSU with its 2014-15 marketing campaign.

The university will produce new promotional and advertising materials this spring. Inflamed Brain, a firm that has worked with SWOSU, will select several students for inclusion in television, radio and printed materials, including both on-camera and voice-over opportunities.

Students who are interested should upload current full-color head and full-body shots and fill out a form at:

<http://www.swosu.edu/administration/pr-m/index.aspx>

SWOSU is also looking for voice-over actors for radio and television spots.

All ethnicities are encouraged to apply. The deadline is March 3. Principals will receive monetary compensation. Applicants must be SWOSU students in good standing with the University and must be available for a full day of shooting. For more information, contact Brian Adler in the SWOSU PR & Marketing Office at 580.774.3063.

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NEWS



Legendary Oklahoma weather icon Gary England receives an Award of Merit from SWOSU President Randy Beutler on Jan. 25, as part of the opening activities of the Pioneer Cellular Event Center. England attended Southwestern early on in his collegiate career. He later transferred. (Photo by Morgan Brian)

Smithsonian exhibit coming to SWOSU in 2015

Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, Oklahoma, and the City of Weatherford, Oklahoma, have been selected as one of six Oklahoma communities that will host a travelling Smithsonian exhibit in 2015.

Hometown Teams: How Sports Shape America will be on display in the SWOSU Main Street Building from September 11 until Oct. 23, 2015, according to Viki Craig of the Department of Language and Literature at Southwestern OSU.

The event is sponsored by the Oklahoma Humanities Council and is part of the Museum on Main Street project.

"Hometown Teams: How Sports Shape America" is a

unique collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES), state humanities councils, and local host institutions.

To learn more about the event, you can visit www.museumonmainstreet.org.



Volunteers needed to help teach English

The SWOSU Spanish Division and Westcentral Oklahoma Literacy Coalition are looking for volunteers who want to help tutor adult English learners.

Sessions are held every Mondays from 5-7 p.m. in Campbell building room 203 on the Weatherford campus

of Southwestern Oklahoma State University. Tutoring sessions start Monday, January 27.

Tutors are expected to meet individually with one or two students. These Tutors do not need to be fluent in Spanish or any other foreign language.

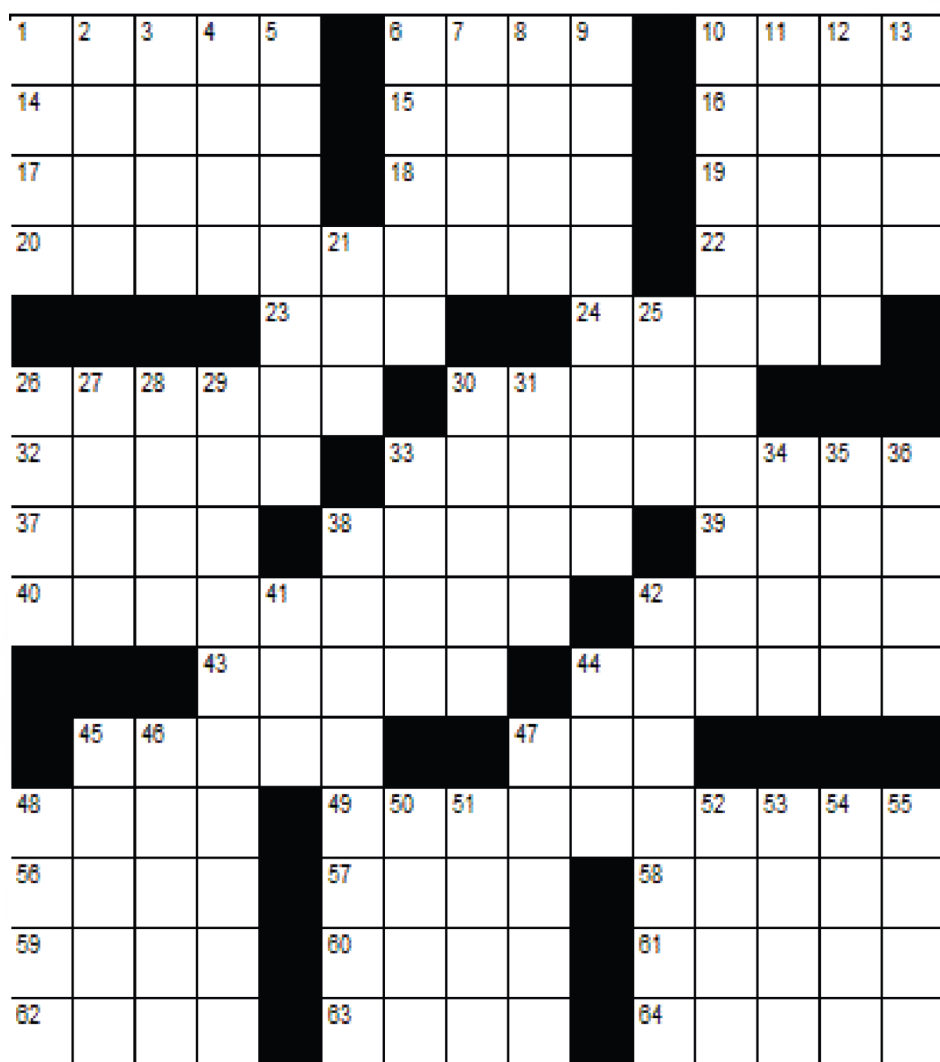
"This is a great community service activity for all SWOSU students, faculty/staff and the general public," said Dr. Héctor Garza!

For more information or how to get involved, contact Dr. Hector Garza, Spanish official, at hector.garza@swosu.edu or call 580.774.3093.

Crossword (courtesy of mirroreyes.com)

ACROSS

1. Enjoy
6. Unwanted email
10. At what time
14. Leave out
15. A city in western Russia
16. Protagonist
17. Noxious plants
18. Initial wager
19. Chocolate cookie
20. Reporter
22. A door fastener
23. Frequently, in poetry
24. Concerning (archaic)
26. A movement upward
30. Guys
32. Confined
33. A type of perfume
37. Misplaced
38. Stuns
39. Solitary
40. Revered
42. Fixes
43. Remove the pins from
44. Woods
45. Twangy, as a voice
47. 2,000 pounds
48. Central points
49. Domineering
56. Former Italian currency
57. Infiltrator
58. Small drum
59. Applications
60. How old we are
61. Gives forth
62. A covered garden walk
63. Mats of grass
64. Adjust again



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| 1. Stitched | 21. Eastern newt | 41. Ribonucleic acid |
| 2. Away from the wind | 25. Not used | 42. Beast |
| 3. Opinion | 26. Competent | 44. Enemy |
| 4. Probabilities | 27. Any day now | 45. Clamorous |
| 5. Answer | 28. Swear | 46. Units of land |
| 6. Begin | 29. Fanatic | 47. Amount of hair |
| 7. Jest | 30. Twelve | 48. In constant change |
| 8. Countertenor | 31. Utilized | 50. Jump up and down |
| 9. Unnaturally frenzied women | 33. Hindu princess | 51. Implored |
| 10. Middleman | 34. Anagram of "Note" | 52. Identical |
| 11. Long-necked bird | 35. Terminates | 53. Nile bird |
| 12. Construct | 36. A musical pause | 54. Cast a ballot |
| 13. Cozy corner | 38. Certificates | 55. At one time (archaic) |

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, February 05, 2014

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| 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM | ING Conference Call |
| 2:00 PM | National Signing Day Press Conference |
| 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM | Medical Professions Club Monthly meeting |
| 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM | Community Meeting |
| 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM | Soul food & Entertainment |
| 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM | Wesley Worship |

Thursday, February 06, 2014

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| SWOSU Jazz Festival | |
| 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM | International Conversation Hour |
| 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM | Physics Tutoring |
| 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM | WBB @ Arkansas Tech University |
| 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM | SGA: Drunk Driving and DUI Forum |
| 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM | Gideons Banquet |
| 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM | Jazz Festival Concert |
| 7:30 PM | MBB @ Arkansas Tech University |

Friday, February 07, 2014

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| SWOSU Jazz Festival | |
| All Day | Washita Valley Basketball Classic |
| 7:30 AM - 10:00 PM | Jazz Festival |
| 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM | FTC Robotics Oklahoma Regional Championship |
| 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM | Jazz with Pizazz |

Saturday, February 08, 2014

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| All Day | Washita Valley Basketball Classic |
| 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM | ACT National Test |
| 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM | FTC Robotics Oklahoma Regional Championship |
| 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM | Upward Bound Saturday Academy |
| 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM | WBB @ Harding University |
| 4:00 PM | MBB @ Harding University |

Sunday, February 09, 2014

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| 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM | Council of Presidents |
| 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM | BSA - Officers Meeting |
| 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM | BSA - Members Meeting |

Monday, February 10, 2014

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| Juniors & Seniors may begin enrolling for the Summer and Fall 2014 semesters | |
| 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM | FREE Lunch at the Wesley |
| 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM | Phi Delta Theta Chapter Meeting |
| 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM | Beauty Week Program |

Tuesday, February 11, 2014

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| 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM | Physics Tutoring |
| 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM | HOPE Weekly Meeting |

Wednesday, February 12, 2014

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| 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM | Technical Career Event |
| 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM | Technical Career Fair |
| 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM | Gear Up - Woodward Visit |
| 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM | ING Conference Call |
| 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM | SCC Council Meeting |
| 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM | Community Meeting |
| 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM | Wesley Worship |

Thursday, February 13, 2014

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| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM | Lunch with SGA |
| 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM | Sorosis Luncheon |
| 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM | International Conversation Hour |
| 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM | Physics Tutoring |
| 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM | WBB vs. East Central University |
| 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM | SGA Meeting |
| 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM | MBB vs. East Central University |
| Start Time 9:30 PM | The Butler - Movie Presentation (Multi-Day Event) |

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FEATURES

New study points to health benefits of coffee

By CAMI LOVELESS
Staff Reporter

Every morning, your alarm sounds and you arise to start your busy day. You change your clothes, and think of a quick breakfast to grab on your way out the door; and don't forget the coffee!

Like chocolate, popcorn, and wine, coffee has joined the club of unlikely foods with great benefits. Coffee has been under the microscope of whether or not it can help improve the long and short term memory of people.

In 2005, a study was conducted at the Radiological Society of North America that proved that consuming two cups of caffeinated coffee helped to improve reaction times of short term memory.

"I love coffee! I hope it improves my memory because I rely on it every morning to get me through my hectic day so if it improves my memory, I see it as a win/win," said Tori Leveridge who is a SWOSU student.

Women, but not men, who were 65 and older that drank more than three cups each day had a better success on memory tests and showed less memory decline compared to the others who only had one cup according to www.livestrong.com

Coffee has also been praised for reducing the sensation of tiredness, along with decreasing the risk of Alzheimer's disease. Research was performed in the University of South Florida in 2011 that results showed an interesting interaction



between coffee and caffeine may be the reason that it helps improve the Alzheimer's risk.

These particular researchers recommend drinking four or five cups a day, beginning in middle age. They claim by doing this, you can increase the granulocyte colony stimulating factor (GCSF), which is decreased in Alzheimer's patients, but improves the memory of mice, a report from www.ezinearticles.com

Your mind is believed to be at its best state in the early hours of the day. As the day goes on, your memory ability decreases with each passing hour.

Interestingly enough, the people who had coffee throughout their day did have the same memorizing capacity as in the morning.

Decaf coffee does not seem to have the same benefits as coffee with caffeine.

If you didn't love coffee already, you may find the need to start now.

What's happening in America? Same-sex marriage, marijuana, and Justin Bieber

By SCOTT MAY
Staff Reporter

"I really like how the nation is looking. I think everyone has tried to be less controversial and weird, and I like that," said no one ever.

Between the passing of new gay marriage rulings and marijuana laws, and the less than popular antics of the nation's finest celebrities, students will have plenty to talk about this semester.

In mid-January, U.S. District Judge Terrence Kern ruled that Oklahoma's ban on gay marriage was unconstitutional, prompting immediate debate as to when Oklahoma would legalize same-sex marriage.

"The Court holds that Oklahoma's constitutional amendment limiting marriage to opposite-sex couples violates the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution," the judge wrote. He also said that constitutional protection "is at the very heart of our legal system."

The ruling does not enable same sex couples to marry in Oklahoma, but it does bring the issue to Oklahoman's doorsteps. And with a vast majority of the Oklahoma population against same-sex marriage – approximately 75 percent according to Gov. Mary Fallin – the legal battle is sure to be a long and difficult fight.

On another note, Colorado recently legalized the sale and use of recreational marijuana. The law went into effect Jan. 1, making it possible for anyone over the age of 21 to purchase the drug with a one-ounce

limitation – the equivalent of approximately \$200.

Washington's residents also voted to support the legalization. Colorado, is however, the only state with functioning marijuana shops.

Marijuana won't come cheap, though. As one of the state's most heavily taxed products, marijuana will have 25 percent sales tax in addition to the 2.9 percent sales tax.

In the limelight, Justin Bieber made headlines for allegedly driving under the influence while drag racing in Miami. Bieber also faces charges of alleged resisting arrest as well as driving without a valid driver's license. The charges came shortly after an alleged vandalism in California that has state officials weighing if Bieber will face felony charges.

Legal troubles seem to be only a small portion of the pop-star's problems. Twitter users tweeted out #deportbieber so much so that it was a trending topic on the popular social network. Though Bieber's base-jump into the deep end has many concerned, it has little to no say if the icon will be deported back to his home country of Canada. According to reports, Bieber lives in the U.S. on a visa, which allows him to live in the U.S. because of his "extraordinary ability" in the arts. That's not a joke... that's really why he can live in America.

Which does raise questions in itself.

The pop star recently declared he will be retiring from music. Does that mean his visa will no longer grant a stay in the states? Only time will tell.

Movie Review

Lone Survivor is a movie based on the true events that took place on June 25, 2005 in Afghanistan. This film follows four American navy seals-Team Sparta-throughout their mission known as Operation Red Wings.

This movie demands attention from the opening scene to the closing credits. The story begins with Marcus Luttrell, played by Mark Wahlberg, being carried on a stretcher from a helicopter severally injured. The film then cuts to three days ago.

★★★★★

our rating:
4.5 out of 5 stars

This is where the audience is introduced to the rest of the main characters. Michael Murphy (Taylor Kitsch), Danny Dietz (Emile Hirsch), and Matt 'Axe' Axelson (Ben Foster). The team is prepped for Operation Red Wings, which is planned to take place later that evening. The next scene shows team Sparta loading their equipment into a helicopter and being dropped off in the

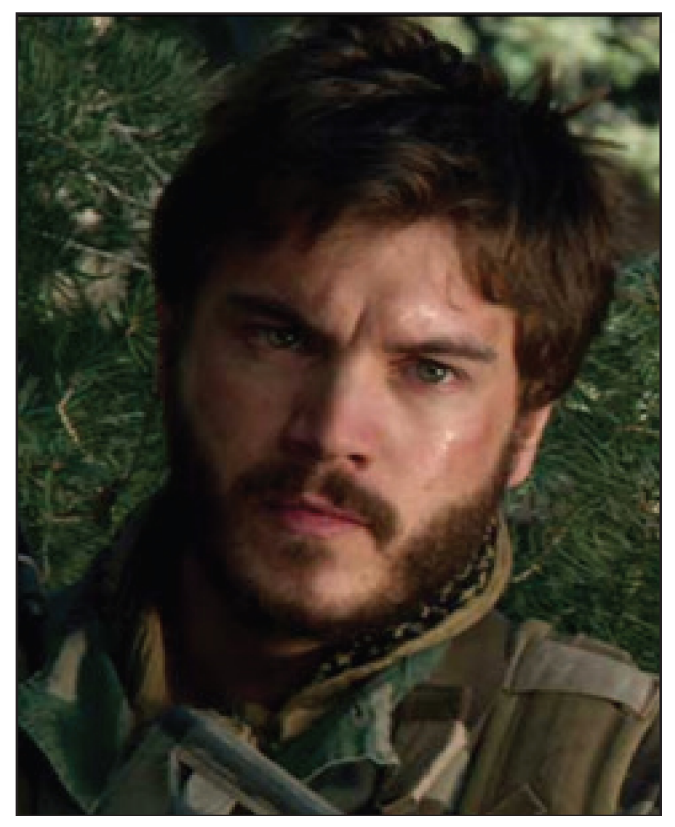
Lone Survivor

middle of the night in the Afghan desert.

They hike throughout the night to reach their location and after radioing the base, the men decide to rest. This is when things take a turn for the worst. The team is accidentally discovered by three local men.

When team Sparta realizes that these men are civilian farmers, they are torn with what decision they should make.

After some debate they decide to let the men go and move to higher ground to radio for help. Unfortunately their radio signal is never heard at base due to signal interference. A few



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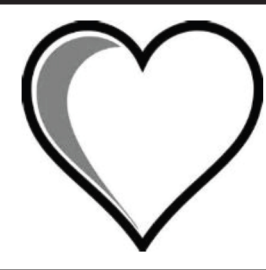
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SPORTS

Women's team steps up defense for home victory

WEATHERFORD, Okla. – The SWOSU women's basketball team was held two touchdowns below their season scoring average, but a stellar defensive effort made certain the Lady Bulldogs were not tested by Arkansas-Monticello. SWOSU completed the season sweep of the Cotton Blossoms with a 72-46 win on Saturday afternoon at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center.

SWOSU held UAM to just 46 points on 27.1% (16-of-59) shooting while allowing the Blossoms just 2-of-15 (13.3%) shooting from 3-point range. Those numbers enabled the Lady Bulldogs to cruise to their sixth straight victory. Taryn Sayama came off the bench to score a career-high 26 points on 11-of-21 shooting, leading the way for a SWOSU offense which connected on 30-of-70 (42.9%) field goal attempts, but just 7-of-27 (25.9%) 3-pointers. Kylie Boggess also came off the bench and recorded her second double-double of the season, finishing with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

Michelle Fisher was held below 10 points for just the second time this season, but her nine points moved her into a tie for fifth-place in SWOSU history for points scored. Fisher has a current total of 1,244 points scored in her career, a mark that equals Paige Adams (2002-05) in the Lady Bulldog record books. It was also a memorable night for Fisher because she grabbed a career-high 15 rebounds, the most by a SWOSU player this season.

The surging Lady Bulldogs now sit alone in second place in the Great American Conference with a date against the conference-leading Harding looming next Saturday. Before that game, however, SWOSU (12-6, 9-3 GAC) will visit Arkansas Tech on Thursday night.



Bulldog players line up as Jaimee Cohen shoots a free during the first week of games in the new Pioneer Cellular Event Center. (Photo by Morgan Brian)

Baseball team wins first two games

By RACHEL SMITH
Staff Reporter

Southwestern's baseball team started the season well, winning two of three in its first week-end of play. The Bulldogs beat Texas-Permian Basin 6-0 and 5-3 before dropping the third game of the tripleheader.

SWOSU baseball has already received much deserved respect for the upcoming season by the coaches in the Great American Conference. The recent pre-season poll between GAC coaches ranked SWOSU third, just behind Arkansas Tech and favorite Southern Arkansas.

SWOSU baseball had a successful season last year with the Bulldogs finishing 31-16 over all and 21-9 in the GAC. They ended their season in 2nd place in the conference. They will be



Jonathon Johnson is one of several pitchers who will lead the Bulldogs this season.

returning several players from last season but will miss impact players such as ace pitcher Shane Martin, who ended up as a 9th round draft pick in the 2013 draft. Pitching coach Cole Stephens said the team will have a tough time replacing Martin.

"It's tough to lose a pitcher like Shane. However, as a coaching staff we are really happy with the new faces on the mound this year," Stephens said. "We have a lot of guys who can go get outs and who I trust to give the ball to in any situation and to go out and win ball games."

Stephens was one of the Bulldogs' top pitchers last year. He is now in his first year on the coaching staff.

"As a coaching staff

we are really excited about this group. We have a lot of seniors in this lineup," Stephens said.

SWOSU will be led by Zack Saunders, who has led the bulldogs to a top three finish in the GAC conference in his first two seasons as head coach.

With SWOSU ranked so high in the pre-season poll the coaches are expecting nothing less than greatness from the team this year.

"We expect to win a conference championship this year. The players have really bought into our system and are all moving in the right direction as we head into our first game" says Stephens.

For a complete SWOSU baseball schedule visit www.swosuathletics.com.

Early deficit leads to Bulldog loss

WEATHERFORD, Okla. – For the SWOSU men's basketball team, a recent string of overcoming early deficits finally caught up to the Bulldogs, who were handed a 68-52 defeat by Arkansas-Monticello on Saturday evening at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center.

The Bulldogs found themselves in a 16-point hole – a place not uncommon for the team – late in the first half, but the Boll Weevils never allowed SWOSU to get within 10 points in the second half. UAM instead kept the Bulldogs at arm's length and handed SWOSU their second loss in the past three games.

Rod Camphor led the Bulldogs on Saturday, scoring 15 points while hitting 3-of-9 field goal attempts and 8-of-12 free throws while playing 39 minutes. SWOSU struggled offensively, being held to 30.4% (17-of-56) shooting from the field, the fourth time in the last five games the Bulldogs shooting was at 30% or below. Gary Inglett nearly posted his eighth double-double of the year after scoring 13 points and grabbing nine rebounds in 38 minutes of action.



Kenyan Borders drives to the basket during Saturday's game. The Bulldogs lost 68-52. (Photo by Khanh Nguyen)

Kenyan Borders added eight points and Michael Bradley scored six while blocking four shots, but Trent Washington was held down by the UAM defense. Washington scored just two points on 1-of-9 shooting and he was held without a three-point field goal

make for the first time this season.

SWOSU is now 12-6 (9-3 GAC) on the year, one-half game ahead of East Central for the top spot in the standings. The Bulldogs return to action on Thursday at Arkansas Tech.

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RES LIFE

By: Laurel Thomas

Bring out your sophisticated artistic side with Oklahoma Hall and Stewart Hall with Juice and Palette on February 6th at a location to be announced, at 7 pm. Come learn how to paint with us while immersing your pallet with the fruity freshness of juice and unleash your creative awesomeness and create masterpieces that could rival Picasso and Michael Angelo. Let's distress and have some fun together!

PICS OF THE RES LIFE



resident spotlight

Cindy X Phan

Hometown: Oklahoma City, OK

Classification: Freshman

Residence Hall: Oklahoma Hall

Major: Pre-Pharmacy



Cindy is a vigilant, determined, and considerate kind of girl. She enjoys watching Family Guy, running and watching Kobe Bryant on her free time. Some items on her bucket list are sky diving, bungee jumping, and eating at the Devon Tower in Oklahoma City. Cindy finds that being a good listener and having people feel comfortable to talk to her is very important in her life.

meet a res life person

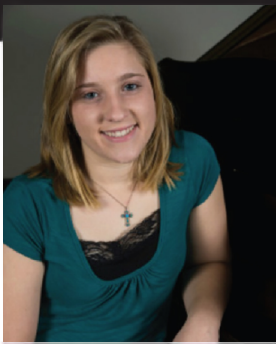
Ashley Pickens

Hometown: Norman, Oklahoma

Classification: Junior

Major: Pre-Med

Residence Hall: Stewart Hall



We have a new face greeting people at the front desk here at Stewart Hall. Ashley Pickens says that she really enjoys classical music. Her favorite drink is Dr. Pepper. And if you're looking for a chess partner, she might be just who you're looking for! Head over to the Stewart Hall front desk to meet Ashley!

Cash Cooper's Corner

By: Cash Cooper

A Scout's Motto

This is (hopefully) my last semester at SWOSU. It's my fifth year here, and while I wouldn't trade the memories for the world, I'm happy to be so close to new beginnings. During Christmas break, I took an interim course called Negotiation/Conflict Management, and one of the key issues involved was being prepared. Thankfully, I'd learned this lesson before. Growing up, I was in Boy Scouts. I learned many valuable lessons in scouting and developed traits that have shaped my life and will continue to influence me throughout my existence. But perhaps the most important lesson was being prepared. It's more than just the scout motto. It's a way of life. As the semester begins, I urge you to keep this in mind. School is tough, but it only gets tougher when you let your work pile up. So instead of suffering later on, keep in mind the words of Benjamin Franklin. "If you fail to plan, you are planning to fail."

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Hunger Games Marathon	Feb 27 th	Fine Arts Building
Res Life Ski Trip	Mar 14 th -23 rd	Telluride, CO
Oklahoma Hall		
Juice & Palette	Feb 6 th	Ok Hall Lobby
Big Girl Party	Feb 26 th	Ok Hall Lobby
Prejudice & Racial Profiling	March 4 th	Ok Hall Lobby
Rogers & Jefferson Hall		
Super Bowl XLVIII	Feb 2 nd	R&J Lobby
League of Legends Tournament	Feb 11 th	R&J Lobby
Booze Crews (Alcohol Awareness)	Feb 20 th	R&J Lobby
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Super Bowl Party	Feb 2 nd	Neff Hall Lobby
Ping-Pong Tournament	Feb 20 th	Neff Hall Lobby
9-Ball Pool Tournament	Feb 25 th	Neff Hall Lobby
Stewart Hall		
Sing Your Socks Off	Feb 20 th	Stewart Hall Lobby
Splendid Spa Night	March 25 th	Stewart Hall Lobby
Earth Day	April 22 nd	Stewart Hall Lobby